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For: NOVEL SALTS OF PANTOPRAZOLE AND (S)-PANTOPRAZOLE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1-7, cancel claims 8-11 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein, and add new claims 12-18 as outlined in Appendix A entitled "Claim Amendments", attached herewith.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification at page 1, line 1 as outlined in Appendix B, attached herewith.

IN THE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Please enter the Abstract of the Disclosure as outlined in Appendix C, attached herewith.